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SUBJECT: GOA INTRUDUCES NEW TOBACCO STABLIZATION PLAN

1. GOA ANNOUNCED TODAY COMMONWEALTH AND STATES HAVE AGREED
ON A NEW TOBACCO STABILIZATION PLAN TO OPERATE DURING THE
FIVE YEARS FROM 1979 TO 1983 INCLUSIVE. THE PROVISIONS OF
THE PLAN ARE SIMILAR TO THOSE OF THE STABLIZATION ARRANGEMENTS
IN EFFECT SINCE 1965, AND CONTINUE TO BE BASED ON ALLOCTION
OF ANNUAL MARKETING QUOTAS AND A STANDARD MINIMUM GRADE AND
PRICE SCHEDULE. THE MAJOR CHANGE IN THE PROGRAM IS TO BE
IN THE DETERMINATION OF THE ANNUAL QUOTA LEVEL. THE MARKETING
QUOTA FOR 1979 WILL BE SET AT 15.3 MILLION KILOGRAMS, COMPARED
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TO 15.422 MILLION KILOGRAMS IN RECENT YEARS. IN 1978 THE
QUOTA WAS SET AT 14.1 MILLION KILOGRAMS TO ALLOW MANUFACTURERS
TO WORK DOWN STOCKS. FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR THE QUOTA WILL
BE SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT IN LINE WITH CHANGES IN CONSUMPTION
AND STOCKS OF QUOTA LEAF HELD BY MANUFACTURERERS. THE AVERAGE
RESERVE PRICE WILL BE ESTABLISHED EACH YEAR BASED ON THE
CURRENT AVERAGE RETURN TO GROWERS OF DOLLARS AUSTRALIAN

3.62 PER KILOGRAM, AND MOVEMENTS IN CASH PRODUCTION COSTS AS DETERMINED BY BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS.

2. AGATTACHE WILL SUBMIT DESPATCH VIA OPEN AIRMAIL TO FAS GIVING DETAILS OF PROGRAM AND MATHEMATICAL FORMULAS TO BE USED IN DETERMINING ANNUAL SALES QUOTA.

3. COMMENT: GOA OFFICIALS WERE RELUCTANT TO COMMENT ON EFFECT OF ANNOUNCEMENT WITH REGARD TO MTN NEGOTIATIONS. HOWEVER, THEY POINTED OUT THAT ALTOUGH ENDORSED BY GOVERNMENT, PLAN WAS QUOTE VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT UNQUOTE BETWEEN GROWERS AND MANUFACTURERS AND CONSEQUENTLY DID NOT INVOLVE GOVERNMENT DECISION. BY-LAW TREATMENT OF UNMANUFACTURED TOBACCO AND TARIFF RATES REMAIN UNCHANGED AND WOULD OFFER SCOPE FOR NEGOTIATION. IT IS SUSPECTED GOA HAS NO INTENTION TO NEGOTIATE ON ROLL-BACK OF MIXING PERCENTAGE, AS OFFICIALS REFUSED TO DISCUSS THAT POINT.
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